

CIRCULATION OVER A QUARTER OF A MILLION A DAY

THE WEATHER.
For Boston and vicinity:
Friday: Fair to light and
Saturday: colder tonight;
light northerly winds.
High water: 6:33 a.
m., 7:00 p. m.

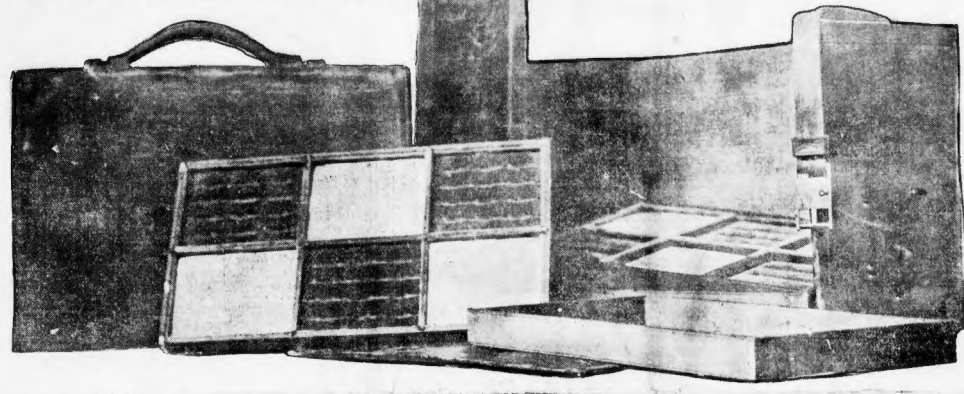
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CLUES TO JEWEL THIEF



JEWEL

Sample Cases Found Today in a Pawnshop, with Rings and Watches Missing.

NOTED EXPERT TO PROBE
FINANCES OF GAS TRUST

HARVEY S. CHASE, ONE OF AMERICA'S ABLEST
ACCOUNTANTS, TO EXAMINE BOOKS.

Harvey S. Chase, recognized as one of the most competent expert accountants in the country, will make an examination of the Boston gas companies who are presenting for reorganization, with a view of presenting to the Massachusetts House of Representatives and Senate a statement of their assets and liabilities.

The hearing on reorganization, which was resumed this morning and was expected to run day after day until the examination of Expert J. H. Humphreys had been completed, came to an abrupt adjournment today (Friday) evening, owing to the illness of Mr. Humphreys.

A telegram was read from Mr. Humphreys at the opening of the session, stating his inability to attend.

To Report as to Assets.

Corporation Counsel Brown, representing the gas companies, had been asked by the committee that he should examine the books of the companies, and that he should report on the results of his examination.

Attempt to Retake Metre Hill Repulsed, Stoessel
MAKES LAST STAND

Russians Fortifying Ports Between
Liao-Ti-Shan and Nan-Ti-Shan
Against the Final Assault.

LONDON, Dec. 2.—The Russians have made a desperate attempt to retake 203 Metre Hill, captured by the Japs, but were repulsed with terrific slaughter, according to an official dispatch from Tokio.

From the same source it is learned that General Stoessel is fortifying the positions available between Liao-Ti-Shan and Nan-Ti-Shan, on the south, in anticipation of the early necessity of making a last stand there. The Russians have already abandoned the town and docks, which are being battered by Japanese artillery, and the fleet in the harbor keeps constantly in motion to avoid shells.

ROTHSCHILD A CLERK IN
BELMONT BANKING HOUSE

By Boston American Licensed Wire.
NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—Prominently at work today Baron Alphonse Rothschild arrived at the banking house of August Belmont & Co. on No. 120 Broadway and entered upon his clerical duties. From his appearance no one could have told that the Baron, and at that, when fully equipped, he would look like a clerk. He appeared to be just what he is at the present time, a clerk. He is a clerk in the banking house of August Belmont & Co. on No. 120 Broadway and entered upon his clerical duties. From his appearance no one could have told that the Baron, and at that, when fully equipped, he would look like a clerk. He appeared to be just what he is at the present time, a clerk.

MRS. GILBERT DEAD,
STRICKEN IN CHICAGO
STROKE OF APOPLEXY FATAL TO "GRAND-
MOTHER" OF AMERICAN STAGE.

By Boston American Licensed Wire.
CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—Mrs. C. H. Gilbert, veteran actress of the American stage, and in Chicago on her farewell tour before the people who have fondly called her the "Grandmother of the American Stage," was stricken with apoplexy in her room at the Sherman House today, and when doctors had been called they pronounced the stroke fatal. Within fifteen minutes after the seizure Mrs. Gilbert lay dying, and physicians in attendance gave up hope of saving her life. She died shortly after noon.

Mrs. Gilbert, in her eighty-third year, had complained to her maid that she was feeling ill. A few moments later she had fallen in a chair, the victim of a stroke of apoplexy, dying.

Lives at the Waldorf.

Yesterday Baron de Rothschild resigned his position at the Waldorf, which will be his home in this city, and then he went down town and was introduced to the clerk and was delighted, saying that he considered the hotel in the subway, with which he was acquainted, as a clerk's home.

GAS MACHINE
BLOWS UP IN
HOUSE; 2 DEAD

By Boston American Licensed Wire.
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 2.—Mach 233 Haines and his wife, who lived on Harbor road, Nixes, were instantly killed today by the explosion of a gas machine in the cellar of their home.

A fire started in the house and in a short time the flames reached the gas machine. Instantly there was a terrific explosion. The house was demolished and Mr. and Mrs. Haines were crushed beneath the walls in the ruins. The barn, stable and all the farming implements were destroyed.

Sample Cases Found May Lead to Discovery
of the Mysterious Person Who Got Diamonds
From South Station Parcel Room.

Pinkerton detectives and the local police have progressed so far on the trail of the thief who secured \$10,000 worth of diamonds and jewelry, the property of Smith, Patterson & Co., Summer street jewelers, from the checking room of the South Station, as to recover the two leather sample cases and half a dozen plush trays in which the jewels were contained.

Of the gems themselves there is no trace, and the mystery of the theft grows deeper hourly. The sample cases, both empty of trays and gems, were recovered in a South End pawnshop. The half dozen plush trays from one of the cases were found on Thanksgiving morning, two days after the packages were taken from the checking room, in a narrow alley running from Appleton street to Lawrence street, and parallel with and about ten feet from Dartmouth street.

PICKED MERRILL'S POCKETS.

The two sample cases containing the gems were deposited in the checking room of the South Station on Monday before Thanksgiving Day by W. D. Merrill, a wholesale salesman employed by Smith, Patterson & Co. On the next day they were taken out by a stranger, who is now thought to have picked Merrill's pockets.

On Thanksgiving Day morning Mrs. Charles White, of No. 119 Appleton street, looked out of her rear window and saw at the other entrance to No. 81 Dartmouth street what appeared to be a number of men in a new manner. While she was looking at them a rap-knock came along and picked up the bundle. He slipped the paper and disclosed the plush-covered trays, which he was about to drop into his bag when Mrs. White called to him. He dropped six of the trays and made off, taking one of them with him.

IDENTIFIED SIX TRAYS.

An employee of the firm was taken to the East End station and identified the six trays. The two leather sample cases also were identified. All of this property is now at the hands of the police.

On the 23rd of November, when the property was taken from the checking room, it was searched for a man who on March 11, 1904, was arrested for stealing a trunk from a passenger train.

KAISER DESCENDANT
OF SPANISH HERO

Boston, Dec. 2.—Grandlight Hager has traced the Kaiser's descent from the Spanish hero, Don Alonzo, who died in the year 1500.

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All for Five Cents Everywhere

**2 TAKE HOLDS
BIG STEAMER
THIS PORT**

The Ontario is Unable to Sail
Because 200 Longshoremen
Went Out.

CAN'T UNLOAD KERSHAW

On Friday a strike of 200 longshoremen employed at the Merchants & Miners' pier in the neighborhood of the Ontario, has been in progress for some time. The strike was called by the Ontario Longshoremen's Association, and the men refused to work for the Ontario. The strike was called by the Ontario Longshoremen's Association, and the men refused to work for the Ontario. The strike was called by the Ontario Longshoremen's Association, and the men refused to work for the Ontario.

**WOMAN BUYS
A CITY HALL**

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Went Out.

**SCOUR WOODS
FOR LOST MAN**

**GET STATUE
TO BE UNVEILED**

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**WAGNER PRAISE
FOR DEED**

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**MOTHER OF \$10,000,000 BABY.
JOHN NICHOLAS BROWN, HURT**



MRS. JOHN NICHOLAS BROWN AND BABY.

Thrown From Carriage and Badly Bruised as Result of Collision With an Electric Car.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 2.—The carriage in which Mrs. John Nicholas Brown, mother of John Nicholas Brown, Jr., was riding, was thrown from the carriage and badly bruised as result of collision with an electric car.

**EXPERT TO REPORT
GAS TRUST ASSETS**

Continued from First Page.

The hearing, after a conference between the gas companies and the city council, was held at the city hall on Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

**PARSONS SELLS
5 PAPER MILLS**

NEW YORK, Dec. 2.—In a last attempt to save the job of Cornelius Post, fifteen years old, who for nearly two years has suffered from illness, the parsonage at St. Mary's Hospital, Providence, R. I., will grant a five-year lease to the parsonage.

**VICTORY NEAR;
SHOCK AFFAIRS**

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 2.—At a meeting of the Board of Trade, Charles E. Jones, president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce, called for a resolution favoring a legislative investigation of the condition of affairs at the Portland Hotel.

**SEDEGWICK ON
THE STAND IN
TECH HEARING**

Professor Thinks Police Might Have Avoided Clash With Students.

'BOYS ARE EASILY QUIETED'

"If the police had held the line they could not go on the way they did and had given trouble, they would have been in a position to do so."

**AGRICULTURAL
RISES 2 POINTS**

Stocks were steady in general and strong in spots today. The Wall Street stock market was in a position to do so.

BOSTON STOCKS.

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These are Cravenette Rain-or-Shine Coats, a luxury as well as a necessity. No gentleman's wardrobe is complete without one, and it's the handiest coat you could possibly own—a good when it rains, good when it's fair and a dresy coat always. For this special sale a 15.00 coat for

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HEARST'S BOSTON AMERICAN

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST

80 AND 82 SUMMER ST., BOSTON, DECEMBER 2, 1904.

Don't
Misunderstand
"The Simple Life"

It is by No Means an Excuse for
Idleness

flowers and birds. His journeys to the cities convinced him that people were in too much of a hurry—to much absorbed in getting rich and in pursuing fashion and vices to get the most possible good out of life.

His ideas upon this subject were first expressed in sermons and addresses at the weddings of his parishioners. At last, a friend who was impressed by them urged him to put them into a book. That was how "The Simple Life" came into prominence.

It was popular from the first. In the make up of the busiest Americans there is a lingering fondness for nature, and this was appealed to by Pastor Wagner's book.

But a far greater number who were fascinated by it, found in it an excuse for their idleness.

Most of us discover very early in life that anything worth having in the world must be EARNED BY HARD WORK.

People who have failed, through their own indolence to do the work necessary to success, hailed "The Simple Life" as an explanation of their failures.

"After all," they argue, when they have read the words of the reverend Frenchman, "there is nothing in life worth the price it costs. We ought to have spent our time in childhood fishing in the millpond or wandering through the fields instead of grinding our souls away in school."

Thus the intent of the book has been mistaken, and the mission it has fulfilled in America is far different from that which its author probably intended.

In the first place, Mr. Wagner himself does not lead the simple life as most of his American readers understand it.

That is, he does not spend time in idleness, that can be profitably employed at something useful. He loves simplicity, but he does not stand idle when there are sufferers who need his ministrations or evil-doers who require his condemnation.

He is opposed to ostentation and show, but his simplicity is not of a kind that tolerates the mere denunciation of them.

Since he has been in America he has led anything but a simple life. He has journeyed from one place to another, talking, giving addresses, shaking hands and being interviewed.

Mr. J. P. Morgan, who has several dozen railroads to direct, or Mr. John D. Rockefeller, who divides his time between the Standard Oil Company and his digestion, has never either of them been as busy as this advocate of the simple life.

In the second place, if every one led "the simple life" as most of us Americans have persisted in understanding it, there would be very little accomplished in this world.

The admiration of simplicity is admirable, but the men who have done great things in the world have spent more time studying by a midnight candle than they have endeavoring to be gentle and quiet.

The supplying of simple wants may be sufficient for all purposes, but if a man is to supply the wants of others as well as himself, if he is to improve the condition of the poor, find a way to better the wretched tenements, invent means of transportation which shall put a supply of pure air within the reach of every one, he has got to WORK and work hard before he can accomplish his ambition.

The men and women who have written good books, brought about the passage of wise laws, made great inventions and discoveries have found it necessary to be very busy when they were young and to continue to be busy in maturity.

Some of them late in life, when their work was done, have found time to lead the simple life in all its serenity and quietness, and then perhaps it is best enjoyed.

This newspaper does not detract from what Mr. Wagner has done. In pointing out the follies of our complicated system of pleasures he is doing a great deal of good.

But his writings should not be misunderstood. We do not believe that he intends to convey the idea that hard work is unnecessary in this world, or that any one, whether living in the city or country, is entitled to enjoy the simple life unless he has earned the right to enjoy it by leading a life of labor for a good many long years.

Three Lines That
Brought About the
Fight for Port Arthur

China Thought Russia Wanted It
for a Temporary Sentry Box for
a Railroad Depot

Japan is about to come into possession of Port Arthur, after sacrificing 50,000 infantrymen, two battleships, and half a dozen torpedo boats.

Russia is about to lose the fortress. To keep it she sacrificed her sea power and lost 40,000 soldiers.

Port Arthur is really the cause of the war, and how Russia came into possession of the place is interesting.

It shows how little things in a bond, trivial on their face, may involve nations in a death struggle.

After China's war with Japan the Russians lent sympathy and money to the Chinese.

Count Cassini, now Ambassador at Washington, and Li Hung Chang negotiated a treaty.

Under this treaty Russia agreed to lend China money. China gave Russia permission to build a branch of the railroad from Harbin to Port Arthur. This road was to be guarded by Russia. At the end of ten years it was to be turned back to China, and it was to be used only for the purpose of carrying out of Manchuria Russia was to clear out of Manchuria.

To guard the terminus Russia got this clause inserted in the treaty.

To provide against interference with or harm to the said railway, Russia shall be permitted to occupy one of the islands near Yaluian and make of it a residence for Russian ships, and land troops, and also to fortify the same in order to protect the terminus of the railway and the ships consigned thereto, and to provide against disasters.

Then, to guard this terminus of the railroad from bandits or evil influences, Russia began the fortifications at Port Arthur. It is the greatest railroad blockhouse in the world.

When the Japanese saw the extent of the work they began to prepare for war. They built on sea. Russia built on land.

The Chinaman saw, instead of a sentry box, a fortification as strong as any other in the world except Gibraltar.

It was too late to protest. There was the treaty.

If Japan gets the fort, the fight for the material thing will be won.

Thus a million soldiers are in the field because of a sentry box at a railroad depot.

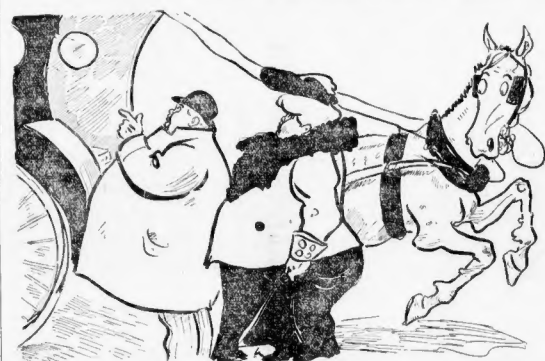
Other wars have begun from equally insignificant trifling lines in a treaty. The brilliant General negotiated the treaty. In it Cassini made Russia's initial move for Manchuria, China and Japan. He decided the little quarrel that has brought about a war which has already turned the power of two great nations, and after eight months of desperate fighting may be just at its beginning.

CRIMINAL GREED'S DEADLY WORK

Drawn by John Barrymore

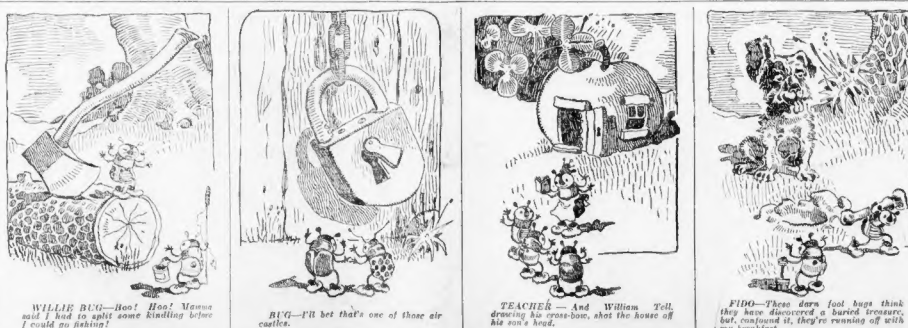


THINGS YOU SOMETIMES SEE



FATTY—What you charge, caddy, to drive us up through the Fenny and down here to the South Station again?

IN BUGVILLE



WILLIE BUG—Don't! Don't! You said I had to split some kindling before I could go to school.

BUG—PR but that's one of those air caulkers.

TEACHER—And William Tell, drawing his cross-bow, shot the horse of his son's head.

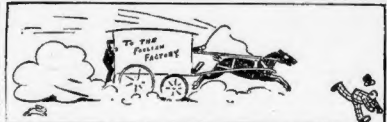
FIDO—These darn fool bugs think they have discovered a buried treasure, but, confound it, they're running off with my breakfast.

BY THE
STENOGRAPHER

LIFE WOULD BE DULL IF DISCUSSION OF
PEOPLE'S PERSONAL AFFAIRS WERE BARRED

"HAT'S a sad case," muttered to its last peculiarity, but I don't mark the Bookkeeper, want to assist at the inquest, of the two steno who were driven insane by plexion, comes in a box or hat, whether the gossip of their neighbors."

"It is," assented the Stenographer, "but it's a good thing the balance of as I look or as young as I seem to be, we are not so sensitively organized, and whether the reason I have never for some time that I went to heart what married was because I wouldn't or our neighbors say of us the best of us couldn't, I'm not fool enough, or vain



"The best of us could be kindled for the padded cell in the foolish factory."

would be headed for the padded cell enough, to think that I'm getting the grid hand, but I'd be a double distilled "It's a common-sense world," observed the Bookkeeper, gloomily.

"In which we all break about even," replied the Stenographer, cheerfully. "You amuse yourself by criticizing me, and I divert myself by lambasting you, and a phonograph record of what we say about each other would show that we had pretty nearly balanced accounts."

"That's the reason everybody goes," we all know that other people are knocking us, and the only way not to get left is to join the avast chorus, and get our own little hammer into action."

"We should never say anything for the avast chorus," remarked the Stenographer, reminding me of a man who had turned a deaf ear to a noisy lot of scoundrels.

"It's terrible the way women gossip about each other," continued the Bookkeeper.

"I have met not many men who turned a deaf ear to a noisy lot of scoundrels," remarked the Stenographer, reminding me of a man who had turned a deaf ear to a noisy lot of scoundrels.



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about a person that we would not be innocently. "It is true I have some-thing for them to hear," said the times been reluctant to a man for repeating a story about somebody to him, but I never stopped me until I had related it to the last detail.

"Personalities are vulgar," said the Bookkeeper. "We should never talk a deep and dark suspicion that when about people's private affairs."

"Yes—we must," replied the Stenographer, "but don't you think so, we should be more careful of our words, and dissect my character?"

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